post offices. The details, districtwise, are being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(c) The Department of Telecommunications has planned to provide telephone facility in Panchayat Villages progressively by 1995. The telephones to be provided under this scheme will be installed at post offices, grocer shops or any other suitable location accessible to the public.

Telephone Connections in Haryana

2895. SHRI DHARAMPAL SINGH MALIK: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons in the waiting list of telephone connections, category-wise since 1988 in district Sonepat, Haryana.

(b) the year-wise and category-wise number of telephone connections released during the said period;

(c) the steps being taken by the Government to provide telephone connections to the applicants; and

(d) the number of public telephone booths established in Sonepat district during the last three years?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) The number of persons in the waiting list for telephone connections category-wise and year-wise in Sonepat district since 1988 are given below:

Year	*General*	*OYT*	*Non-OYT-Special*
As on 31.12.88	1167	Nil	Nil
As on 31.12.89	1522	Nil	4
As on 31.12.90	1873	Nil	13
As on 31.11.91	2257	18	21

(b) The yearwise and categorywise, following telephone connections were released:

Year	*General*	*OYT*	*Non-OYT-Special*	*Total*
During Year ending on 31.12.88	61	13	7	81
During Year ending on 31.12.89	158	52	23	233
During year ending on 31.12.90	193	1	Nil	194
During 1.1.91 to 31.11.91	502	112	38	652

(c) The Department of Telecommunications has formulated draft 8th Five Year Plan for telecommunication development and it is envisaged:

to provide telephone connections on demand in rural and tribal areas;

that waiting period for telephone connections not to exceed two years in large systems.

Accordingly, expansion plans are being drawn to fulfil the above objectives during the 8th Plan period.

(d) The number of public telephone booths established during the last three years in Sonepat district:

	1989	*1990*	*1991*
S.T.D.	1	2	8
Local Public Telephones	8	Nil	18

Stopping of Production of new Programmes by Doordarshan

2896. SHRI JANARDAN MISRA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the production of new programmes has been stopped by the Doordarshan since the last four months;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) if not, the names of new programmes produced by Doordarshan during the last five months and by when these are likely to be telecast?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS): (a) No, Sir. Doordarshan continues to produce programmes as per their requirements.

(b) Does nor arise.

(c) All Doordarshan Kendras with programme production facilities regularly produce and telecast programmes on various themes/subjects in different formats. No centralised list of such programmes is maintained.

Shortage of Power in Gujarat

2897. SHRI KASHIRAM RANA: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether several industries have closed down due to shortage of electricity in Surat and Baroda districts of Gujarat;

(b) if so, the number of such industries during the last three years; and

(c) the action taken for providing adequate electricity in Surat and Baroda districts of Gujarat during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) and (b). During the period April-October, 91, the energy shortage in Gujarat was 3.5%. Power supply to various consumers in decided by the State authorities, keeping in view the overall demand for power and its availability. Industrial production/performance of industry depends upon various factors such as availability of raw material, demand for the product, industrial relations, management efficiency etc., and power shortage is only one of the contributing factors.